

## **Minutes of Langtree Parish Council on 10<sup>th</sup> August 2017 at 7.30pm**

**Members present** Councillors T. Attridge(chair), P.Mitchell, M.Glover, F.Tucker, J.Coles, D.Ley, G.Bond, J.French. D.Hurley(TDC) A.Saywell(DCC) M.Evans(Clerk)

**Apologies** received from C.Edworthy

**Minutes** were available to consider for accuracy. After a heated exchange as to why minutes do not always appear on website in reasonable time(see July minutes), ME tendered a verbal resignation with immediate effect and left the meeting.( DL took minutes from this point ) TA remarked that new processes of promulgating minutes are in place and the problems have been rectified. AS wanted to add his apologies for the July meeting which had not been printed.

**TDC** DH reported that following the closure of Lloyds in Torrington a planning application to install a new phone kiosk/ATM at the South Street car park has been passed in record time. A second application to install an ATM at the hardware shop has also been submitted. After reporting last month about work to replace expansion joints by DCC on the Torridge Bridge and their proposals for traffic flow and the traffic chaos in Bideford that TDC felt would ensue, Highways returned to Bideford last week and met with Torridge and proposed a new plan. Subject to engineers approval and the extra finances being made available, work should commence after Christmas 2017, with traffic on the high bridge controlled with two way traffic lights”

**Police**No report

**Finance** Balance £6604.96 No other details were available save that it was known that ME had not received audited accounts from auditor despite requests for them.

**Planning** Langtree Meadows – land was transferred to LPC last month. Changing rooms have been rendered by Parish Hall Committee but window is still missing with no clue as to whether builder would fit it. £6000 needed to be transferred from LPC to PHC as agreed to get the building kitted out. Berry Cross has application pending but meeting had no details. Letter of objection would be sent by TA highlighting council view that it was unsuitable as a temporary or permanent residence. Application for farm workers house at East Stibb Farm was known to be in the system but we had no copy of it so it was agreed that TA, PM and DL would consider a response on LPC behalf.

**Correspondence** Letter from Mrs Nicol following last meeting regarding publication of minutes within 30 days. LPC strongly disagrees that unratified minutes be published and can only be properly done following next month's meeting. TA to respond in writing.

Letter from Tom Bond regarding **a.** parish website and getting minutes on website **b.** clarification of error in LPC response to Cartref planning application which said neighbours had a right of way over property. **c.** Langtree magazine – happy to share the workload with JF and others. TA to respond

**DCC** AS described Langtree as one of his quietest parishes! £10000 grant money available from him to share around his area. He is now on the Broadband Task Group.

**Items at the Chair's discretion.** TA and DL to visit ME to find a way forward on Clerk post. AS asked to look into perilous state of a portion of A388 near Holsworthy. Parishioner asked if a constitution be written for the Changing Rooms as this could make it easier to get grants and a bank account. TA replied that when the rooms had been weatherproofed then he would consider a parish meeting to form a committee or steering group.

Next meeting will be on September 15<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm in the Leader room. Meeting closed at 8.55 p.m.